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ANSWER.

Read: Amos 6:1-6, 14.

N. T. World Radio  
operation '68.

INT.

Woes upon the selfish, lazy, apathetic, pleasure-seekers,  
and those oblivious of the needy and the lost.

**Happy life:** Life of Work: J. 9:4, Gal. 6:9, I C. 15:58.

Great Commission begins with WORK and ends with WORK!

Matt. 28:18-20. Mark 16:15-16. Jonah saw the JOB!!

**Lesson:** Three questions about Lord's church today that  
I cannot satisfactorily answer.

(Luke 6:46 ?)

I. WHY CALL SELVES GOD'S SELECT PEOPLE AND DO NOT HIS WILL??

A. COMPARE N. T. SAINTS WITH LATTER DAY SAINTS. (MORMONS)

1. Membership. We: 2,000,000. They: 2,000,000

2. Missionaries: We: 500 miss. Ration 1 to 4,000 mem.  
(10 to 1 over us!) They: 5,000 " . Ration 1 to 400 mem.

Just one!!!! Then..

B. COMPARE KINGDOM HALL WITH THE KINGDOM OF GOD.

1. Membership: We: 2 million. Jehovas Witness: 1½ mil.

2. Outreach : We: ½ countries in world. They: 168!!

3. Missionaries: We: 500. They: 10,000. 20 to 1.

(1 to 4,000!) (1 to each 150!)

(Not criticizing, just pointing out. Don't know Ans.!!)

QUESTION: Why do you TEACH "go into all the world" and  
you have not GONE into all the world?

**APPEARANCE:** We do not really seriously believe or teach  
all the Bible! Attitude of UNBELIEF!

This is the way others see US.

(Matt. 7:21)

II. WHY DO YOU DENY TITHING AND DO NOT SO MUCH AS TITHE???

A. **CONVICTION:** Lord's church (His people) should be the  
best, finest, greatest and grandest of all. LORD'S!!!!

B. COMPARE: First-Day Christians with 7th Day Adventists.

1. Membership: We: 2 million. They: Well under 2 mil.

2. Missionaries: We: 500. They: 26,000! 52 to 1 !!

3. **COLLEGES:** We: 17. They: 324! Why???

4. **GIVING:** We: Average \$1 a mem. a week. They: \$7.

**OBSERVATION:** We suffered divisions, depressions, war  
periods, taxes, govt. control, inflation & recession

2nd observation; They suffered all the same!!!

QUESTION: Why do you in the C. of C. teach LIBERALITY and  
give so SPARINGLY???

**APPEARANCE:** Not fully converted to promises of Christ.

II Cor. 9:6-8. Attitude of covetousness.

III. WHY DO YOU CRITICIZE THE METHODS OF OTHERS WITHOUT SHOW-  
ING THE WAY TO DO THINGS RIGHT???

A. COMPARE: Vision of N. T. church with denominations.



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1. GENERAL BAPTIST CONVENTION: Of Texas (1960)
  - a. Recently had surplus of \$2 million after did all world missions that year.
  - b. **Note:** We spent about \$1,600,000 on missions that year! **Less than their surplus!!!**  
**Average: \$88 per cong. of our 18,000 cong.**

(East) 2. PARK ST. CHURCH IN BOSTON. (Congregational) Non-den.

- a. Claims 2,100 members and sends out 169 mission..
- b. Ratio: 1 to each 12½ members. **We: 1 to 112 (4)**

(West) 3. OSWALD SMITH: 2,000 mem. non-denom. in Los Angeles.

- a. Sending out 360 missionaries. 1 to 6 members.
- b. We have **450 members**. At their rate we should have **75 missionaries out**. **At our rate, they would have only 18 missionaries out. WHY????**

4. LARRY YOUNG, Baptist preacher in West; Tex. (Hale Co)
  - a. Discussion: Missionary Soc. vs. N. T. way.
  - b. **Quote:** "You in the C of C have the Lord's correct plan. This I now see. It is better than ours. BUT, your plan is failing because your membership is failing to make it work!"

**APPEARANCE: "You don't love souls as dearly as we do." M. 22:37.**  
**WHO CAN ANS. THIS QUESTION: ONLY YOU!!! ONLY YOU!!!**

**INV. WORLD CERTAINLY NOT WHAT IT OUGHT TO BE. IN TROUBLE. NEED!!**

1. I BELIEVE: God's people want to love souls as much as any body on earth. Will too. Show it!
2. I BELIEVE: God's people will give as much as anybody on earth, when realize the need. Will too.
3. I BELIEVE: God's church will expand its vision as much as anybody's on earth, when given the time. It is now time to begin.

Alien: B-R-C-B  
Erring: R-P  
Identify.